

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

When copy protect is applied to a program indicated by a user, the content of the copy protect is analyzed. On the basis of the analysis result, a message such as "this program cannot be recorded with IEEE1394, optical digital audio" is displayed. By displaying such a message, the user can easily recognize that copy protect is applied to an indicated program, so that it can be recorded (picture-recorded) in an analog style, but it cannot be digitally recorded. Accordingly, the user can easily recognize the copy protect.

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